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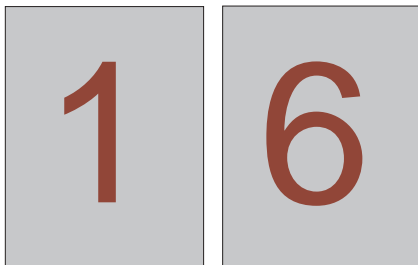
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Airman 1st Class Daniel Bamfield, 39th Security Forces Squadron, grabs onto the leg of and begs one of the 39th Air Base Wing Turkish firefighters for help treating his injuries during the base's third week-long exercise. The exercise began Sept. 20 and ended Sept. 24. Members of the 39th ABW put on makeup and fake blood for an exercise for the First Response Team. See related story, Pages 6 and 7. (Photo by Airman Bradley Lail.)

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DoD officials urge generosity in annual giving campaign

By Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – Defense Department employees donated \$13 million in the 2003 Combined Federal Campaign, and officials here hope to top that number this year.

At a campaign kick-off event in the Pentagon today, DoD's Director of Administration and Management Raymond DuBois spoke about this year's campaign theme: Superheroes. "All of us can be supermen and superwomen when it comes to helping those of our families and friends and neighbors who need our help," Mr. DuBois said.

The Combined Federal Campaign is the federal government's only authorized workplace solicitation of donations. Military and civilian employees choose which charity or charities they elect to support and can make straight donations or set up payroll deductions.

In a short speech at Tuesday's kick-off ceremony, Wolfowitz likened donating to CFC to the work American servicemembers are doing overseas. Both, he said, are forms of selfless service.

"(Servicemembers and civil servants) are helping people today, particularly in Afghanistan and Iraq, on a truly heroic scale," Mr. Wolfowitz said. "While our armed forces serve us so faithfully, the charities of the Combined Federal Campaign give gifts of education, nutrition and other life-giving support to those who need it most."

The deputy secretary said it's important to note that most of the charities that responded to the tragedies of Sept. 11, 2001, are part of the Combined Federal Campaign. Likewise, he said, so are the charities that are providing humanitarian relief in hurricane-damaged sections of the southeastern United States.

"CFC organizations are once again making a huge difference in helping people put their lives back together," he said.

Overseas Combined Federal Campaign Making a world of difference

By Master Sgt. Roberta Williams
CFC installation project officer

The Overseas Combined Federal Campaign starts Monday and runs through Dec. 3 this year. Last year, Incirlik gave a generous \$105,846 to CFC. Our participation rate was pretty good at 34 percent, but my goal as the installation project officer is to increase that rate to 50 percent.

You don't have to give a lot of money to CFC. The minimum donation you can give is \$12 a year. There is no maximum amount you can give either. It is very easy to donate. Payroll deduction is the most common way to donate and 80 percent of those donating last year participated in payroll deduction. You can donate by cash or check, too.

There are over 1,500 organizations to donate to. From saving the rain forests, honoring military veterans, ensuring a clean water supply, aiding refugees or advancing medical research, the CFC has something for everyone. There is also a way for you to give your money to the Incirlik community. Family Support and Youth Programs support quality of life programs for our community. Just enter FSYP in the four digit agency code section of your pledge card. CFC is also giving away donated prizes: a 2005 Jeep Liberty Renegade, two airline tickets and a \$1,000 savings bond. No donation is necessary, but to be eligible to win the prizes you must complete a pledge card. For more information, go to www.cfcoverseas.org or contact your squadron representative.

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IN BRIEF

Semi-annual 'sun outage' to affect AFN signals

MARCH AIR RESERVE BASE, Calif. – American Forces Network customers may experience brief programming interruptions through Oct. 12, as the autumn “sun outage” period occurs.

These seasonal outages, which take place each spring and fall, affect all satellite communications, including the AFN radio and television services distributed by the American Forces Radio and Television Service.

Programming interruptions are characterized by a complete loss of signal for several seconds up to several minutes. They occur when the sun’s position aligns with broadcast

satellites and Earth-station receivers. The sun’s radiation overpowers the broadcast signal causing this disruption of service.

The effect of sun outages on satellite programming received at the AFRTS Broadcast Center at March Air Reserve Base, Calif., will be minimal because alternate satellite feeds can be used in the event of a sun outage. However, the AFRTS satellite signals distributed to regional and local AFN affiliates may experience more significant outages due to their reliance on the single AFRTS satellite feed.

This season’s sun outages will be most severe Tuesday and Thursday.

Water outage

There will be a limited water outage Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to install a bypass line at the water pump station. Facilities directly affected by the water outage are all fire hydrants in North Loops and Buildings 2, 5, 16, 2020, 2115 and 2209. Buildings having low water pressure are 2365, 2367 and 2372. For more information, call Paul Swinney, 39th Civil Engineer Squadron construction management chief, at 6-8020.

Lodging rates

Lodging rates for U.S. Air Forces in Europe increased 24 percent. The average rate increase is \$8 per room per day. As rates have not increased for three years, this action will provide funding for renovations since many facilities have not been renovated for 15 to 20 years. For more information, call Theresa Sorenson at DSN 480-6101.

myPay

Effective Sept. 30, leave and earnings statement hardcopies for all Air Force military members was turned off. Electronic copies of LES statements are available on the myPay Web site.

Active-duty members can now view 12 months of LES data. Also, active-duty members are able to start, stop and change financial allotments. Restricted Access Personal Identification Number allows the member to provide a spouse or trusted individual with a view-only PIN. Members can set the RAPIN by signing into myPay. With the RAPIN, a spouse or family member can view and print the LES and W2 but cannot make pay changes.

Obtain myPay personal identification numbers immediately to ensure uninterrupted access to military pay data. Sign up for myPay online at <https://mypay.dfas.mil/mypay.asp>. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Dean’na Hoy at 6-6306.

Native English speakers

The Turkish Air Force is looking for native English speakers to help Turkish personnel practice speaking English. For more information, call Mehmet Birbiri, 39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs host nation adviser, at 6-6060.

Airmen need to heed Hatch Act rules

WASHINGTON – As the election season swings into high gear, the U.S. Office of Special Counsel has filed complaints against two federal employees deemed in violation of the Hatch Act.

The complaints address the use of “politically partisan electronic-mail messages while on duty,” OSC officials said.

The Hatch Act regulates DOD employees’ and servicemembers’ participation in politics. The recent violations focus on e-mails sent to about 15 recipients in one case and more than 70 in the other.

“The use of Internet and electronic mail is second-nature to almost everyone and has become a favorite and effective campaign tool, even more so perhaps than four years ago,” said Scott Bloch, OSC head. “I want to remind federal employees to be vigilant about following the Hatch Act, because we will consider this activity a form of electronic leafleting and thus a violation of the prohibition on partisan political activity in the workplace.”

Partisan political activity is defined as activity directed toward the success or failure of a political party or candidate for a partisan political office or partisan political group.

Participation in politics is not completely forbidden; however, active-duty military and executive-branch employees need to be aware of the rights and restrictions that the Hatch Act imposes on such activity. What is allowed and disallowed can be a bit confusing.

Servicemembers are under the most restrictions. They may attend political meetings or rallies, but only as spectators and not in uniform. They are not allowed to give political speeches, serve in any official capacity in partisan groups or participate in political campaigns or conventions.

They are also not generally allowed to campaign for political office.

In its essence, the Hatch Act prohibits federal executive-branch employees from engaging in political activity while on duty or wearing an official uniform, officials said.



The Article 15 published in the Sept. 17 edition of the *Tip of the Sword* was a court martial and the Airman was convicted of multiple charges, including “divers” uses of marijuana.



Photo by Airman Bradley Lail

Going for the goal

AJ Hernandez of the yellow team kicks the ball away from the goal so his team can further their chances of scoring. Saturday was the opening day for Incirlik soccer.

Softball tournament — Airman Leadership Class 04-08 hosts an all-night softball tournament Saturday starting at 7 p.m. Cost is \$125 per team. For more information, e-mail Senior Airman Steven Latham at steven.latham@incirlik.af.mil.

Bowling — Team roll offs begin Saturday with six games at 3 p.m. and continues with six games Sunday at 3 p.m. For more information, call Master Sgt. Eddie Freitas at 6-8222 or 6-5312.

Soccer volunteers — Volunteers are needed for the upcoming soccer season. Volunteer packets are accepted at the youth center. For more information, call Jerome Latimer at 6-6670.

Water aerobics — Water aerobics classes are offered Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 6 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$30 per month. For more information, call 6-6044.

Skeet and trap shooting — Outdoor recreation offers skeet and trap shooting Tuesdays through Fridays by appointment. Open shooting begins Saturdays at 9 a.m. Cost is \$10, and includes shells and clays. For more information, call 6-6044.

Scuba course — Outdoor recreation offers a scuba course, which includes training and Professional Association of Diving Instructors certification. Water training is provided in an indoor pool, plus four open water dives in Kizkalesi. Cost is \$250. For more information, call Yasar Karalar, scuba instructor, at 6-6044 or e-mail incirlikdiving@yahoo.com.

Lapswim — Early morning lap swim is Mondays through Fridays from 6 to 7 a.m. at the base pool. For more information, call 6-3442.

Combat Hapkido — The fitness center sponsors Combat Hapkido Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:45 p.m. and Fridays at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 6-6086.

Trotters and Striders Club — Keep a fitness center record of the miles walked or ran and qualify to win prizes. For more information, call 6-6086.

Bowling league rolls into action

By Tech. Sgt. Robert Burgess
39th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

While the beginning of intramural football league was cancelled for the past two weeks there is still plenty of action taking place at the Magic Carpet bowling lanes.

The league rolled into action Sept. 7 with as many as 18 teams competing in this year's 30-week season. League nights are Tuesdays and Wednesdays and after two weeks of bowling Eddie Freitas, 255, and Lakeisha Toney, 173, lead the league in the high scratch game category.

Other category leaders include high scratch series: Eddie Freitas, 645; and Dawn Lionbarger, 463. High averages: Ken Williams, 206; Eddie Freitas, 206; Dawn Lionbarger, 154; and Kelcie Hannan, 154.

With lane conditions a little bit tougher and with a little more oil this year than in the past, bowlers will have to make adjustments,

said Freitas, league secretary.

"This should help those people who attend the United States Air Forces in Europe tournament at Vogelweh, Germany, where they will have to get use to more difficult oiling patterns," he said.

Out of 12 Incirlik bowlers (three four-person teams) at last year's USAFE tournament, one team won the team event, said Freitas.

Roll-offs for this year's base team is scheduled for either Saturday through Sunday or Oct. 9 through 10. People interested in earning a spot on this year's team will have to bowl 12 games and one six-game set Saturday and Sunday. For more information about dates and times, call the bowling alley at 6-6789 or Master Sgt. Eddie Freitas at 6-8222 or 6-5312.

Regular league play is open to active-duty ID card holders or dependents 18 and older. People interested in joining can contact Ken Williams, league president, at 6-6948 or Sergeant Freitas at 6-8222.

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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS



By Col. Michael Gardiner, 39th Air Base Wing commander

Exercise Exercise Exercise

We successfully made it through the third exercise of the calendar year. Every time we exercise we become better prepared for real-world events. If you haven't talked to some of our warriors who have recently returned from downrange, you should. They can tell you the feeling you get in the pit of your stomach when an alarm sounds and you know it's for real – and at moments like that, every bit of training you've had comes into play.

I challenge each of you to take a look at all findings inspectors identify in this exercise and fix them promptly – to improve our individual readiness and our readiness as a wing. There's an old saying, "the more you sweat in peace, the less you bleed in war." Take that advice to heart.

October promotions

- ♦ Promoted to master sergeant: **Randy Coffman**, 39th Maintenance Squadron; and **Nicki Jones**, 425th Air Base Squadron, Izmir
- ♦ Promoted to technical sergeant: **Rolland Browning Jr.**, 39th MXS; **Michael Collins**, 39th Communications Squadron; **Lawrence Hook**, 39th CS; **Micah Kautter**, 39th CS; **Melissa Saraiva**, 39th Medical Squadron; and **David Whaley**, 728th Air Mobility Squadron
- ♦ Promoted to staff sergeant: **Edward Albietz**, 39th Civil Engineer Squadron; **Marcus Baucom II**, 728th Air Mobility Squadron; **Gabriel Bessette**, 39th Maintenance Squadron; **Elaine Birch**, 728th AMS; **Clint Crossno**, 39th Logistics Readiness Squadron; **Justin Davis**, 39th MXS; **Christinia Gannone**, 425th Air Base Squadron, Izmir; **Matthew Hay**, 39th MXS; **Joseph Hollingsworth**, 728th AMS; **Eileen Korpita**, 39th MXS; **Timothy Meyer II**, 39th LRS; **Lori Shifflet**, 728th

AMS; **Benjamin Sybert**, 39th Medical Squadron; **Donald Timon**, 39th MXS; and **Nerlito Yuson**, 39th Security Forces Squadron
Being good neighbors

There have been recent complaints about the level of noise experienced by residents in family housing, particularly on weekends. Installation quiet hours are Mondays through Sundays from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. and pertain to all dormitories, base housing units, Hodja Inn, Hodja Village and all other designated billeting facilities.

While the quiet hours policy governs noise on base, use common sense when coming and going from the Alley. Turkish and American Air Force housing areas are very close to the perimeter fence along the Alley, and noise that prevents an individual who is in their place of residence from sleeping is considered unreasonable noise. A few airmen carousing on a late-night return from a club can put everyone in a bad light. As members of the military, your actions directly reflect on yourself, the Air Force and the United States. Be considerate of your neighbors while on and off base.

Cleaning up after your pets

Many of you have met my faithful yellow lab, Beau. Beau and I make the rounds to many events on base, and he's always happy to be out and about. Unfortunately the sight of dog droppings is all too common throughout Incirlik's parks and streets. Dog owners have a responsibility to pick up and dispose of their dogs' waste. Always remember to clean up after your pet. I personally don't leave home without an extra bag ... just in case. This may not be a pleasant task, but we need to be responsible pet owners.

Force protection

This week we had four near-simultaneous "sound bomb" events in Turkey's four major cities. Although the events followed the trend of occurring at night when few people are around, it is significant to note the attacks were directed at symbolically western targets such as British banks. Terrorism is an obvious reality of today's world, so take precautions not to stand out. Keep a low profile and make an effort to blend into the local environment. Avoid publicity – don't go out in large groups and stay away from civil disturbances. Let people know where you are going and above all, be alert for suspicious activity, and report suspicious activity if you see it.

Remember, every Airman is a sensor for antiterrorism and force protection! Taking these simple steps might save your life one day. Keep force protection in mind at all times – your life depends on it.

The power of your vote

By Gen. John Jumper
Air Force Chief of Staff

Most of you have been deployed in an Air Expeditionary Force since you have been in the Air Force. You have seen our way of life compared to others in troubled parts of the world. While we as Americans are not without our problems and issues, if all the borders of all the nations of the world were open to all people, where do you think most would choose to reside? There is little doubt that it would be in the Land of the Free.

Many of us have experienced some ob-

stacles to voting while serving in the armed forces. The absentee voting system has traditionally been fraught with challenges, but we have been working hard to minimize the red tape. With Airmen and their families serving around the globe, many suffer from delays in mail service — another obstacle to registering and voting. Our leadership in the Department of Defense has worked with the U.S. Postal Service to give priority to voting materials in the mail system. To facilitate the voting process, we have also created a user-friendly voting link called "Airmen Votes" on our Air Force Link website for you and your families to use. The "Airmen Votes" icon on the Air Force Link Web site, www.af.mil, will guide you to all the information you need to register to vote, file an absentee ballot request, and send in an absentee ballot. In most cases, all you need to do is fill out a

postcard and mail it in. Guidance is available for all states and territories and for those Airmen living overseas. Your family members who are eligible to vote can use this web link as well, including children away from home while attending school. If you still have questions, contact your Voting Assistance Officers — they are available to address your voting questions or concerns. We want to make voting as easy as possible.

As Airmen we have all taken an oath to support and defend the Constitution that guarantees our right to vote. As a nation we accept divergence of opinion and candidates with different views. I encourage you to avail yourself of the right to vote for candidates and on the issues of your choice. No other single act is so fundamental to our form of Government. Please register. Please vote. (*View the Chief's Sight Picture in its entirety at www.af.mil*)



Ask MEHMET

By Mehmet Birbiri, *Host Nation Adviser*

Turkish-American Women's Cultural and Charitable Society

Question: Mehmet, I am the wife of a military member and we arrived here last month. I want to learn more about the Turkish culture and meet with Turkish women. What do you recommend me to do?

Response: You can become a member of the Turkish-American Women's Cultural and Charitable Society. The purpose of the society is to bring Turkish and American home makers (I call them Domestic Goddesses) together and exchange Turkish and American cultures.

TAWCCS organizes luncheons, brunches, dinners on special days and a variety of cultural activities. Those activities include tours, parties and seminars. Members meet regularly through their activity groups.

TAWCCS helps some elementary schools and schools for the blind in Adana by purchasing desks and books. The members regularly visit and help at old folks' homes and purchase some food items. The society also helps the street children.

Every year, TAWCCS gives scholarships to four female college students.

TAWCCS is holding a membership coffee at Hotel Seyhan in Adana Oct. 16 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Call to prayer

Question: Mehmet, I hear chanting coming from the loudspeakers on the towers of mosques. What are they saying? Also, after hearing it so many times, I almost memorized its tune. But from time to time, a different tune is chanted and a normal speech is made afterward. What is said then?

Response: The chanting you hear coming from the loudspeakers on the towers, called minaret, is ezan. It is the call to the Moslems for prayer. It is the public announcement to tell Moslems it is the time for praying.

The man who calls for praying is called muezzin. The muezzin climbs up to the balcony of the minaret five times a day just before praying time. While chanting, the muezzin

tours the balcony so that he calls in four directions.

Thanks to technology today, instead of climbing up the minaret and touring the balcony, a microphone and loudspeakers makes the muezzin's job a lot easier and more effective.

The prayer call is chanted in Arabic, not Turkish. The call has been the same since the beginning of Islam and is chanted the same way in all Moslem countries.

The translation of the call is:
God is the most great!
I testify there is no God but Allah.
I testify that Mohammed is the messenger of Allah.
Come o prayer,
Come to salvation;
God is the most great!
There is no God, but Allah.

Only during the morning prayer is an additional sentence chanted which states, "praying is better (pleases God more) than sleeping."

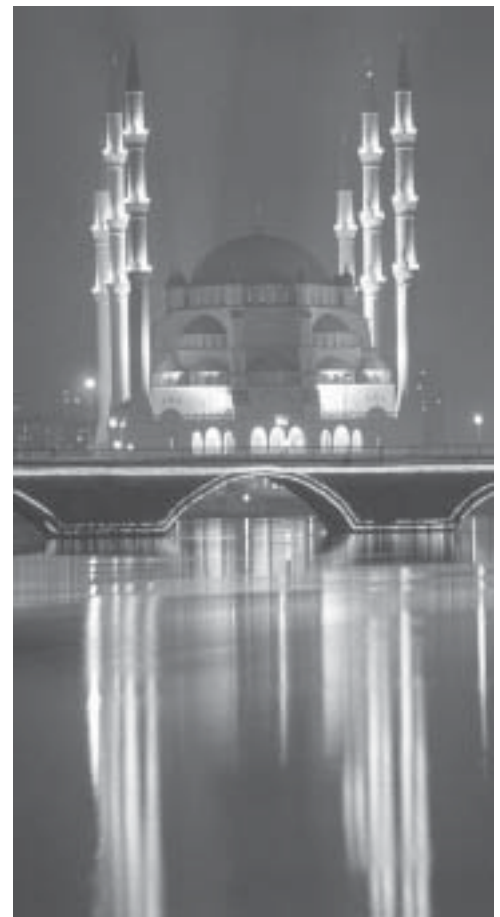
The different tune chanted from time to time is not the prayer call, but some verses from Koran, the Holy book of Islam, and the normal speech is the announcement of a death in the community. Thus, the loudspeakers of the mosque are used for public announcements of the death and memorial service which should be done within 24 hours under normal conditions, mostly after the noon prayer.

Visiting Mosques

Question: Mehmet, what should we do and what shouldn't we do while visiting a mosque? May we visit every mosque or only particular mosques?

Response: You may visit any mosque in Turkey. However, avoid visiting a mosque during prayer times. Moslems go to mosque five times a day for prayer. Those prayers are the morning, noon, afternoon, evening and night prayers. Since it is determined according to the sunrise and sunset, times of the prayers changes slightly every day. Therefore, the best time to visit a mosque is between the prayer times.

Dress conservatively while visiting a mosque. Men shouldn't go into a mosque with shorts or sleeveless shirts. Women should wear conservative clothes; no shorts or sleeveless blouses. Pants are acceptable, but women should avoid wearing tight clothes which show the lines of the body. Women should also have a scarf to cover



The Sabanci Mosque in Adana is the largest mosque in the Middle-East and the Balkans. It can hold 28,000 worshippers.

their heads. Children 12 and under can wear shorts and short sleeves.

Take off your shoes before entering a mosque. I recommend carrying your shoes with you while in the mosque. Many major mosques have plastic bags at the entrance for that purpose. Those mosques also have head scarves for women and pants for the ones who come with shorts. But it is better to wear your own scarf and pants.

Walk around in the mosque quietly. Do not talk loud. You might see some men praying in the mosque. Do not walk in front of them. Walk behind them. You can take pictures inside and outside of the mosques.

You don't have to, but most of the mosques have donation boxes. You can make your donations by putting some money into those boxes. Some mosques have officials collecting donations. In that case, again if you would like to, make sure you get a receipt for the donation you make.

Do you have a question about something Turkish? Ask Mehmet. To submit a question, call 6-6060 or e-mail mehmet.birbiri@incirlik.af.mil.

THE INCIRLIK GUIDE

Monday

Sponsorship training — The family support center offers a sponsorship training class from 9 to 10 a.m. The class is designed to help educate sponsors on the needs of inbound personnel and their family members. Sources of information about Incirlik will be detailed to assist the sponsor in providing the most up-to-dated information. For more information, call the FSC at 6-6755.

Wednesday

Dorm council — The Incirlik dorm council meets at noon in the Piper Room at the club. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Ken Winfield at 6-8075.

Thursday

Budgeting — The family support center offers a budgeting class from 11 a.m. to noon. The class teaches techniques of budgeting and simple systems to track expenses. For more information, call the FSC at 6-6755.

Upcoming

NAHM — Volunteers are needed to plan activities for Native American Heritage Month. The next meeting is Oct. 8 at 10 a.m. in Building 3850 (Red Cross conference room.) For more information, call the 39th Air Base Wing Military Equal Opportunity office at 6-6210.

Bargain market — The community center hosts a fall bargain market where people can sell miscellaneous items Oct. 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The cost is \$10 per table. For more information, call the community center at 6-6966.

Parent-teacher-student club — The next Incirlik American High School parent-teach-student club

meeting is Oct. 12 at 6 p.m. in the high school media center. For more information, call Senior Master Sgt. John Herkel at 6-6439.

Brown bag lunch — The family support center hosts a brown bag lunch Oct. 12 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The luncheon will focus on learning decision-making and problem-solving skills to use throughout life. For more information, call the FSC at 6-6755.

Spouses Kahve — The family support center sponsors Spouses Kahve Oct. 14 from 8 a.m. to noon. The club is an informational introduction to services and activities available to spouses new to the Incirlik community. For more information, call the FSC at 6-6755.

Talent contest — The community center hosts an Air Force family and teen talent contest for ages 3 to adult. There are 15 different categories to sign up for. Sign up by Oct. 15. For more information, call the community center at 6-6966.

Home buying — The family support center hosts a home-buying seminar Oct. 15 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The seminar includes an overview on buying a home and what to expect, and targets first-time home buyers. For more information, call the FSC at 6-6755.

International Spouses Group — The next international spouses group meeting is Oct. 21 from 5 to 6 p.m. at the family support center. Discussions focus on talking with others who are in a relationship with a non-American and sharing experiences. For more information, call the FSC at 6-6755.

Ongoing

Red Cross — The American Red Cross Office needs a volunteer to assist in administering the health and safety programs Tuesdays through Thursdays from noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call Erin Leonard at 6-6639.

Preschool play group — An informal play group for infants through 4-year-old children meets Tuesdays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the youth center gym. Parents and care-givers who attend are expected to help set up and clean up and supervise children at all times. For more information, call Maribeth Viray at 6-6709 or 6-6452.


Lunch coupons — Old school lunch coupons are no longer accepted in the school cafeterias. Parents can take any old coupons to the base exchange and exchange them for the new coupons. Since the price per meal increased, parents will have to pay the difference for the new coupons. For more information, call Vernon Reddick 6-3750.

AFSA — The Air Force Ser-

geants Association meets every third Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the club. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Adena Eberhardt at 6-1164.

Thrift shop — The thrift shop in Building 999 is open again from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays, 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the first Saturdays of every month. The shop also needs volunteers. For more information, call the thrift shop at 6-6247 or Kathy Collins at 6-2152.

Back to school kit — The base library is offering free back to school packages for grades kindergarten through 12. In addition, the library has hundreds of new children's books, and entertainment and education DVDs available for checking out. For more information, call 6-6759.



COMBAT & SPECIAL INTEREST PROGRAMS

Thursday

PYOC — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel seventh to 12th graders bible study is Thursdays from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Crossroads Cafe and 3 to 4:30 p.m. Sundays at the youth center. For more information, call Shane and Melanie Parrish at 6-5709.

Ongoing

Religious channels move — The two Combat Touch religious channels have moved to channel 15 and 16. The Protestant channel is on channel 15 and Eternal Word Television Network Catholic programming is on channel 16. To retune non-cable-ready TVs select "cable" instead of "air." For more information, call the

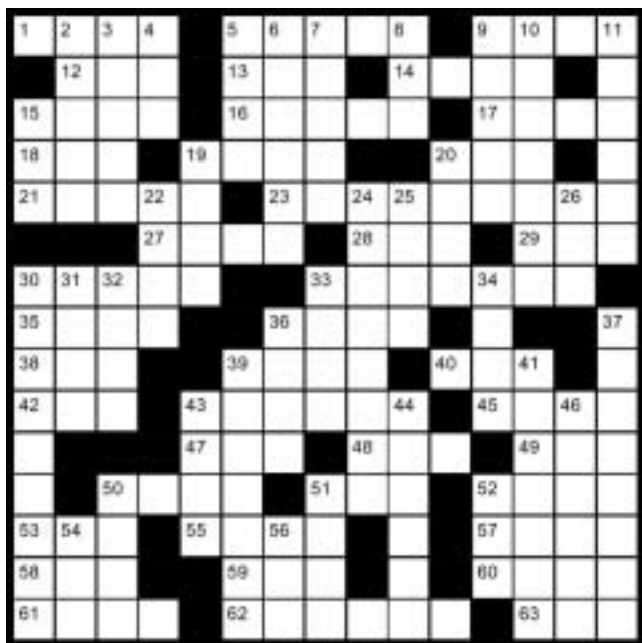
chapel at 6-6441.

Newcomer's in-processing — The family support center sponsors part one of the newcomer's briefing Tuesdays from 7:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and part two is Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. to noon at . For more information, call 6-6755.

Religious classes — Catholic religious classes are 11 a.m. Sundays at the chapel. For more information, call Patty Heidlage at 6-3890.

Volunteers — The chapel is looking for volunteers Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call Senior Airman Milagro at 6-6441.

Hispanic-American History



Solution will be printed in the Oct. 8 edition of the *Tip of the Sword*

By 1st Lt. Tony Wickman

Alaskan Command Public Affairs

ACROSS

1. Mexican-American former US Secretary of Transportation and Energy
5. Spanish-American Nobel Prize winner in Medicine and Physiology (1959)
9. First person
12. Allow
13. Musical group ____ Na Na
14. One of the 5 Ws
15. Inlet
16. Of the ocean below 6,000 meters
17. Shakespeare play *King* ____
18. Mock
19. Own
20. Mil. abbreviation for information gathering and observation
21. Concise
23. Bolivian educator who fought for equality; *Stand & Deliver*
27. "Queen of salsa;" Cuban singer Celia ____

28. ____ Abner
29. Promotions
30. Acquit
33. Massed closely together
35. Bridge
36. Florida school, in short
38. Internet provider
39. Alaska city
40. Sphere
42. Compass dir.
43. Puerto Rican actress is 1 of only 2 to win Tony, Grammy, Emmy, Oscar
45. Luxuriant
47. Alt. to street
48. Explosive
49. Type of plane
50. Assistant
51. Snakelike fish
52. Singer Braxton
53. Org. that governs Olympic Games
55. Italian-born fashion designer Schiaparelli
57. Soon

58. Everything
59. ____ Alamos, NM
60. Nothing more than
61. Supreme Greek god
62. Abided by
63. ____ Francisco, CA

DOWN

2. Run off, as in marriage
3. Definitive "no!"
4. Dined
5. Safety org.
6. Mexican-American leader who started United Farm Workers of America
7. Greek underworld
8. Auger
9. Popular form of Latin-American dance music
10. Forever
11. Cuban American playwright who has won 6 Obie Awards
15. Feline
19. German mister
20. Infections
22. Racket
24. First Puerto Rican baseball player to be named MVP
25. Aboriginal of Japan
26. Mil. acronym for temporary assignment
30. First Costa Rican-American to become astronaut
31. Noted Cuban-American composer and conductor Tania ____
32. Fashion magazine
33. British title for a woman
34. British title for a man
36. Golf shout
37. First Cuban-American woman elected to Congress; Ros-____
39. First Puerto Rican and woman to become US Surgeon General
41. Cuban-American ballet dancer to be first American to win Gold Medal
43. Earned
44. Connected, as in Internet
46. Spanish lady
50. Org. concerned with individual rights
51. Relieve
52. ____ o'shanter; type of hat
54. Bullring cheer
56. Cry

YOUR TURN



To submit a question for "Your Turn," call 6-6060 or e-mail tip.sword@incirlik.af.mil

Why do you feel training and exercises are important?

"I think training exercises are important because they train us for the inevitable and, although recent conflicts are closer to home, it helps keep conflicts away from home."

— **Tech. Sgt. Novel Brown, 728th Air Mobility Squadron**



"You have to be ready for reality. If you don't practice, there will be chaos and confusion."

— **Master Sgt. Vicky Lewis, 39th Air Base Wing staff**



"Good training helps keep everyone safe so they can return home to their families."

— **Suleyman Karayigit, Defense Commissary Agency**



"To let you know what you need to do in a real-world situation."

— **Airman 1st Class Maranda Cooke, 39th Logistics Readiness Squadron**



"Training is important to keep everyone competent."

— **Staff Sgt. Benjamin Stewart, 39th Logistics Readiness Squadron**



CLASSIFIEDS

For sale: Two 6' x 9' carpets, \$75 each; outdoor charcoal grill \$50; floral full size couch \$100; creme/tan armchair \$75; Free to good home calico female cat current on shots, AVID chip, spayed and declawed with litter box, litter, pet carrier and food dish. For more information, call Jeremy or Ashley at 6-5718.

For sale: 1989 Merkur Scorpio, four doors,

U.S. specs, clean, runs great, \$1,300 OBO. For more information, call John at 6-8815 or 6-5487.

For sale: 1986 White four-door BMW, AM/FM, CD player, sunroof. Asking price \$1,400. Will negotiate. For more information, call Robert at 6-5002.

Wanted to buy or borrow: Used extra wide baby gates and stairway gates that affix to metal bannisters. Call Julie at 6-2284.

For sale: 1991 Toyota Cynos, two doors, Japanese specs, clean, runs great, \$1,300 OBO. For more information, call Donnie at 6-9179 or 6-2015.



Photo by Senior Airman James Seymore III

Safety day

Sparky the safety dog gives a fireman's hat to Bobby White, 4, Tuesday during the base's safety day. According to Gen. Robert H. "Doc" Foglesong, Commander of U.S. Air Forces in Europe, safety day was initiated in an effort to, "guard against the errors, complacency and poor judgment that can lead to mishaps. Stay committed to personal safety and take this time to focus on the practices needed to reduce risk — always play it smart!"



AT THE MOVIES

At the Oasis

Today

Thunderbirds (PG) — Starring Bill Paxton and Ben Kingsley. When dangerous situations exceed the limitations of ordinary military and international security forces, the world calls upon the high-tech assistance of International Rescue - a mysterious band of fearless adventurers and their fleet of awesome, imaginatively engineered vehicles known as the Thunderbirds. Showing at 7 p.m. (87 minutes)



Collateral (R) — Starring Tom Cruise and

Jamie Foxx. A struggling comedy writer named Max, who drives a cab in Los Angeles to earn a living, gradually realizes that the passenger he's been driving around all day is a hit man who has been rubbing out people at every stop. Max has to figure out how to prevent the killer from knocking off his last victim and how to come out of the situation alive. Showing at 9 p.m. (127 minutes)



Saturday

Thunderbirds (PG) — Starring Bill Paxton and Ben Kingsley. Showing at 5 p.m. (87 minutes)

Collateral (R) — Starring Tom Cruise and Jamie Foxx. Showing at 7 p.m. (127 minutes)

Sunday

The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) — Starring Matt Damon and Franka Potente. When a Chinese vice-premier is executed by notorious assassin Jason Bourne, it causes serious trouble and hubbub in the CIA. Why? There is no "Jason Bourne", as that name is just a cover for CIA agent David Webb, so it ap-

pears that someone has taken the "Bourne identity" away from him, creating a diplomatic crisis between the U.S.A. and China. Showing at 7 p.m. (108 minutes)



Thursday

The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) — Starring Matt Damon and Franka Potente. Showing at 7 p.m. (108 minutes)

At the M1

Catwoman (PG-13) — 11 p.m. and 1:15 p.m. (104 minutes)

Terminal (PG-13) — 12:45 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 6:45 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. (128 minutes)

Man on Fire (R) — 12:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. (104 minutes)

Starsky and Hutch (PG-13) — 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:15 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. (101 minutes)

Anacondas (PG-13) — 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. (97 minutes)

The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) — 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. (108 minutes)

Fahrenheit 9/11 (R) — 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. and 11:45 p.m. (122 minutes)

For more information and updates, call the movie recording at 6-6986 or the theater office at 6-9140. The provision of movie information does not constitute an endorsement by the 39th Air Base Wing, U.S. government, Department of Defense or Department of the U.S. Air Force. For more information, call the theater at 6-6986.